### **Section 4.0 Environmental Childcare**

Subsection 4.1 Introduction for Licensed Group Child Care Homes, Licensed Child Care Centers and License-Exempt Child Care Facilities

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# **Introduction:**

The intent of the sanitation inspection guidelines for childcare facilities is to help the caregiver understand the sanitation inspection process and reasons behind the sanitation requirements. Each sanitation requirement is designed to help the caregiver keep children healthy and safe. This guideline can be used as a reference before, during, and after your annual sanitation inspection.

These guidelines are organized in the same order as the "Sanitation Inspection Report" the inspector uses while visiting your facility. The sanitation requirement is found with the corresponding inspection report letter and number. Each sanitation requirement is followed by the applicable childcare licensing rule number or rule governing food service sanitation number. A reason for the requirement follows. A general time frame for correcting a noncompliance is found at the end of each requirement.

# **Authority:**

**Rules for License-Exempt Child Care Facilities** 

19 CSR 30-60.010 -.120

**Licensing Rules for Family Child Homes** 

19 CSR 30-61.010-.230

**Licensing Rules for Group Child Care Homes and Child Care Centers** 

19 CSR 30-62.010-.230

Missouri Food Code; Sanitation of Food Establishments (1999)

19 CSR 20-1.025

**Individual Sewage Treatment Standards** 

19 CSR 23-1.010 to 23-31.000 (4), 10 CSR 20-8.023 (DNR),

Chapter 701 RSMo 1986.

The following standards were used to develop the sanitation requirements:

**Caring for Our Children Health and Safety Guidelines** by the American Public Health Association and the American Academy of Pediatrics

**Environmental Health Guidelines for Child Care** by the National Environmental Health Association

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